

ABSTRACT

An approach for automatically customizing printer drivers generally includes installing a generic printer driver on a client. The client is configured to allow communications between the generic printer driver and a printing device. The generic printer driver automatically retrieves configuration data from the printing device and stores the configuration data on a non-volatile storage. The configuration data indicates one or more attributes of the printing device and allows data to be printed to the printing device via the generic printer driver. The approach allows a generic printer driver to be used with many different printing devices, thereby reducing development costs and installation overhead.